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COMMUNIQUE ON BOUMEDIENE VISIT TO USSR

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(TEXT) MOSCOW OCTOBER 15 TASS--HOUARI BOUMEDIENE, CHAIRMAN OF THE REVOLUTIONARY COUNCIL, CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS OF THE ALGERIAN PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC, STAYED IN THE SOVIET UNION ON A FRIENDLY VISIT ON OCTOBER 14-15.

TALKS WERE HELD BETWEEN SOVIET LEADERS AND HOUARI BOUMEDIENE. TAKING PART IN THEM FROM THE SOVIET SIDE WERE GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE CPSU CENTRAL COMMITTEE L.I. BREZHNEV, MEMBER OF THE POLITICAL BUREAU OF THE CPSU CENTRAL COMMITTEE, PRESIDENT OF THE PRESIDUM OF THE USSR SUPREME SOVIET N.V. PODGORNYY, MEMBER OF THE POLITICAL BUREAU OF THE CPSU CENTRAL COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN OF THE USSR COUNCIL OF MINISTERS A.N. KOSYGIN, MEMBER OF THE POLITICAL BUREAU OF THE CPSU CENTRAL COMMITTEE, MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE USSR A.A. GROMYKO, MEMBER OF THE POLITICAL BUREAU OF THE CPSU CENTRAL COMMITTEE, MINISTER OF DEFENCE OF THE USSR A.A. GRECHKO. TAKING PART IN THE TALKS FROM THE ALGERIAN SIDE TOGETHER WITH THE CHAIRMAN OF THE REVOLUTIONARY COUNCIL, CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS OF THE ALGERIAN PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC HOUARI BOUMEDIENE WERE MEMBER OF THE REVOLUTIONARY COUNCIL, STATE MINISTER CHERIF BELKACEM, MEMBER OF THE REVOLUTIONARY COUNCIL AHMED DRAIA, MINISTER OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND RESEARCH MOHAMMED BIN YAHYA, COMMANDER OF THE THIRD MILITARY DISTRICT COLONEL HADJ MOHAMMED ZERGINI, THE ALGERIAN AMBASSADOR IN THE USSR REDA MALEK.

DURING THE TALKS THERE WAS A DETAILED EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON THE NEW AGGRAVATION OF THE SITUATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST CAUSED BY ISRAEL'S IMPERIALIST AGGRESSION, AND ALSO ON OTHER POLITICAL INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS AND THE PRESENT-DAY SITUATION IN THE WORLD IN GENERAL. THE SIDES CONFIRMED THEIR DETERMINATION TO ASSIST IN EVERY WAY THE LIBERATION OF ALL ARAB TERRITORIES OCCUPIED BY ISRAEL.

ALSO DISCUSSED WERE QUESTIONS OF FURTHER DEVELOPING AND STRENGTHENING FRIENDSHIP AND AROUND COOPERATION BETWEEN ALGERIA AND THE SOVIET UNION.

THE TALKS PASSED IN A FRIENDLY AND FRANK ATMOSPHERE.

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